SAFE HOUSE CONSTRUCTION BY CRS

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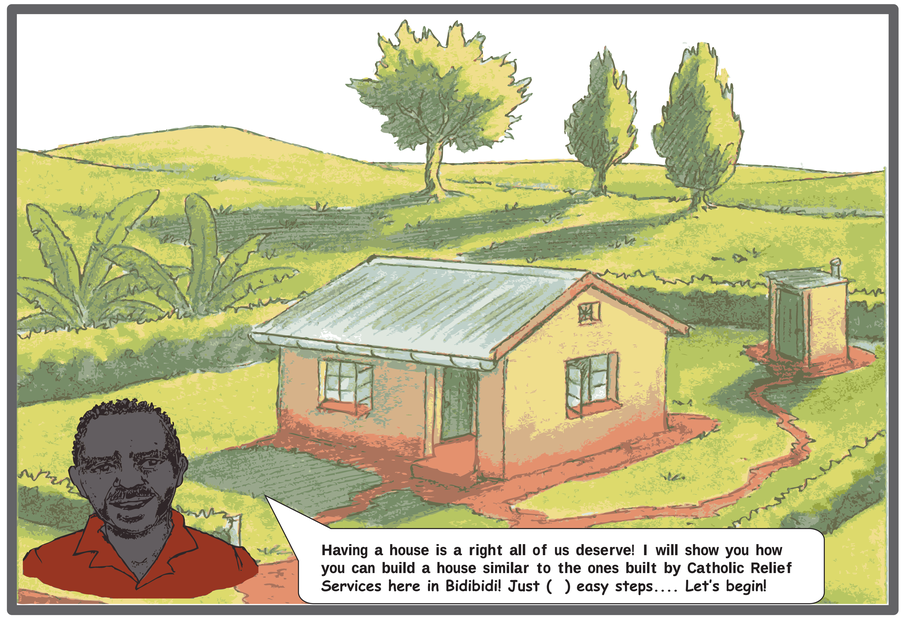
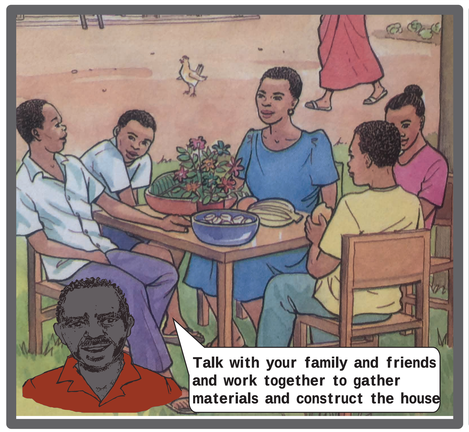
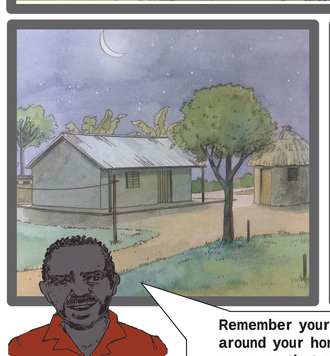


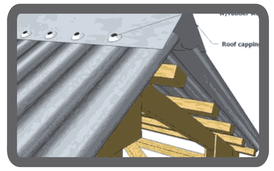


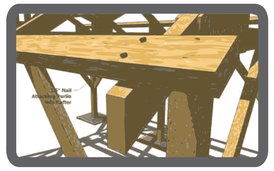


Remember your house is a place of safety! Lock your doors at night, and clean the area around your home so it will be sanitary. Look out for your neighbors, and respect their new space so that everyone can feel safe and secure on their land and in their home.

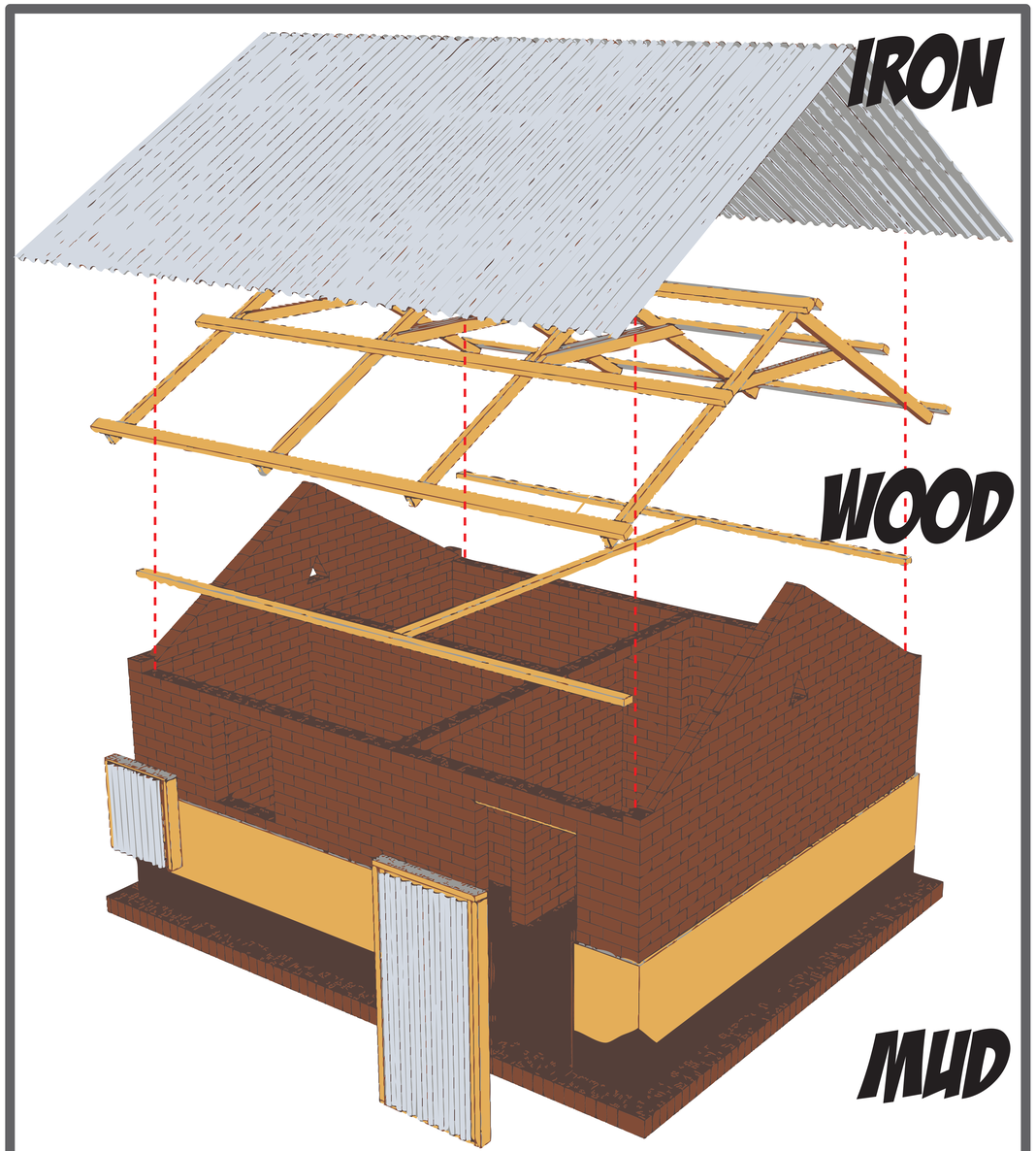
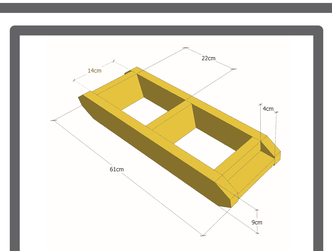
Gather good tools to prepaire the site and use to help you and your family start the house construction. Don't forget a hammer, nails and a saw!

Attach the iron sheeting roofing on to the wood frame with roofing nails. Make sure they are waterproof. Evenly space roofing nails on ridges of iron roofing. The





Make room for the doors and the windows before you finish the mud walls. Bricks should have good mud mortar mixed with a good binder. This can be potatoe vines or cisel. Bricks should dry in the sun for at least 3 days.

Build the brickes up to form the wall as level and straigth as you can. Make sure you check the height and width of the wall be the same all the way around. Choose bricks that are strong, have no cracks, and have dried! Also, keep the bricks dry from the rain, and clean the surfaces.

Layout the area where you want your house to be, and put some stakes down and string. After that start digging for the foundation and start molding your bricks. Make every brick well, and let it harden for 3 days in the sun. Keep those bricks dry when it rains!